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THE FREEDOM THAT KILLS

Freedom or Trap? For you have been called to live in freedom... But don't use your freedom to satisfy your sinful nature. Instead, use your freedom to serve one another in love. -- Galatians 5:13 NLTCE

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The conversation on every teenager's lips today is freedom.

They all want to be in the university. They all want to leave their parents' house. Is there fire in the house? ? Maybe not. But that is not what we are answering today.

Teenagers and young people are taking steps today that they may regret a few years from now. The university sector is no longer seen by many as a place of learning and preparation; it has become, for some, a place of freedom.

But once the idea of leaving your parents' house becomes primarily about freedom, you need to ask yourself: Is this really freedom, or is it the freedom that kills?

Many young people today are involved in drugs of all kinds, neglecting their bodies and destroying vital organs. Many are involved in fornication and sexual immorality with different people, without considering the consequences and the pollution that follows.

The devil seems to have gained a grip on many young people, while society is doing very little to help. We are watching our young boys and girls waste their lives. To some extent, society has even accepted these things as norms.

But I see the Bible as a guide for living. If many young people would follow the principles the Bible gives for living, we would experience a great shift in our generation.

We need to change our mindset. We need to change our perspective.

It pains me when I see young minds and great ideas being wasted.

Where are our values?

As a young lady, where is your dignity?

Sexual immorality has become a daily routine for many, and we are no longer ashamed of it. As a young woman, you should understand that your body, your character, and your choices matter. Your future matters.

My heart melts when I look into the future and think about the unborn children of this generation.

What do we have to offer these unborn children?

Many young people have no options--no skills, no degree, no plan, and nothing to stand on.

So I ask again:

Where is the freedom?

My definition of freedom is the Promised Land.

Freedom is not simply leaving your parents' house.

Freedom is not doing whatever you want.

Freedom is not being controlled by your desires.

Freedom is becoming everything God has called you to become.

So, the big question I would ask every young person reading this is:

Would you enter your Promised Land?

Do you want to be a Joseph of this generation or a Samson?

A Deborah or a Jezebel?

A David or a Saul?

The choice is yours.

Let us make the right choice.

Please, let us consider our nearest future and make the right decision today. And if you feel you cannot stop because you have gone too far, you can still turn back.

You have not gone too far for God.

Revelation 3:20 reminds us of Christ's invitation: He stands at the door and knocks. Jesus Christ is willing and ever ready to receive you. He is willing to dine with you.

He is the Good Shepherd.

He can change your heart.

He can restore your life.

He can make you whole.

I pray the Lord help us.

I am a living testimony.

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